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**REMARKS**

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated March 7, 2005. In the Final Office Action, claims 1-16, 21, 22, 25, 28 and 31 were rejected under 35 USC §103, and claims 23, 24, 26, 27, 29 and 30 were indicated as containing allowable subject matter. By this Amendment, claims 1, 11, 21, 24, 27 and 30 are amended, and claims 23, 26, and 29 are canceled. Currently pending claims 1-16, 21, 22, 24, 25, 27, 28, 30 and 31 are believed allowable, with claims 1, 11, 21, 24, 27 and 30 being independent claims.

**CLAIM AMENDMENTS:**

Claims 23, 24, 26, 27, 29 and 30 were indicated as containing allowable subject matter. Final Office Action, paragraph 8.

By this amendment, claims 24, 27 and 30 are rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claims and any intervening claims. Thus, claims 24, 27 and 30 are believed to in condition for allowance.

By this amendment, claim 23 is canceled and claim 1 is amended to incorporate the subject matter of claim 23. Since claim 23 was indicated as containing allowable subject matter, claim 1 is believed to be allowable as a result of incorporating the subject matter of claim 23.

Claims 2-10 and 25 are dependent on and further limit claim 1. Since claim 1 is believed allowable, claims 2-10 and 25 are also believed allowable for at least the same reasons as claim 1.

By this amendment, claim 26 is canceled and claim 11 is amended to incorporate the subject matter of claim 26. Since claim 26 was indicated as containing allowable subject matter, claim 11 is believed to be allowable as a result of incorporating the subject matter of claim 26.

Claims 12-16 and 28 are dependent on and further limit claim 11. Since claim 11 is believed allowable, claims 12-16 and 28 are also believed allowable for at least the same reasons as claim 11.

By this amendment, claim 29 is canceled and claim 21 is amended to incorporate the subject matter of claim 29. Since claim 29 was indicated as containing allowable subject matter, claim 21 is believed to be allowable as a result of incorporating the subject matter of claim 29.

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Claims 22 and 31 are dependent on and further limit claim 21. Since claim 21 is believed allowable, claims 22 and 31 are also believed allowable for at least the same reasons as claim 21.


#### CONCLUSION

In view of the forgoing remarks, it is respectfully submitted that this case is now in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested. If any points remain at issue that the Examiner feels could best be resolved by a telephone interview, the Examiner is urged to contact the attorney below.

Please change Deposit Account 50-0510 the \$400 fee for an additional two independent claims. No other fee is believed due with this Amendment, however, should such a fee be required please charge Deposit Account 50-0510. Should any extensions of time be required, please consider this a petition thereof and charge Deposit Account 50-0510 the required fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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